

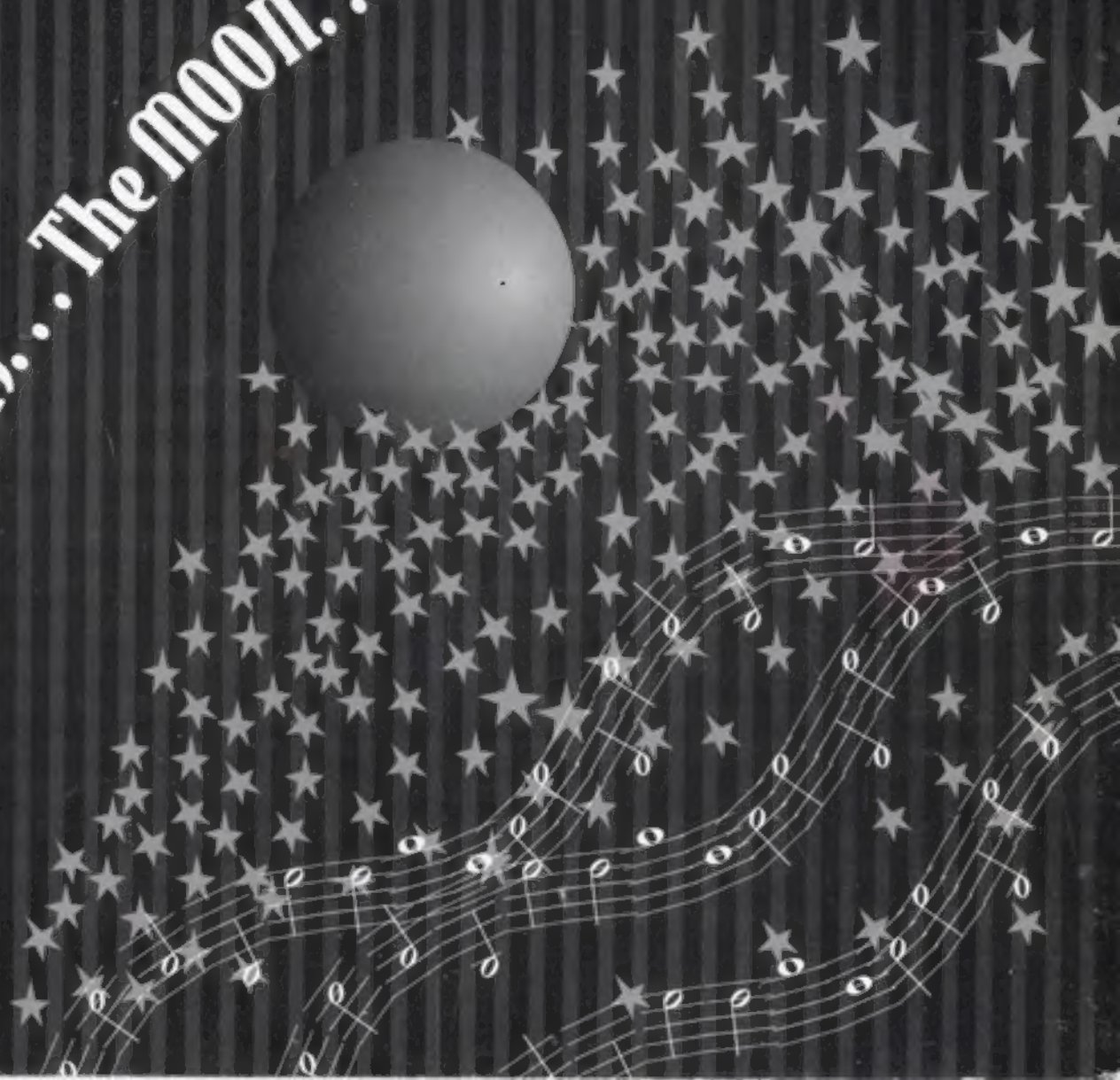
The Carter G. Woodson Foundation
presents its

14th Anniversary Gala

Sunday, June 4, 1995

The Spirit of New Jersey

"The STARS... The MOON... and ALL THAT JAZZ!"





Honoree Carrie Smith



The life of honoree Carrie Smith, the 1995 Woodson Foundation Distinguished Artist recipient, epitomizes artistic excellence along with genuine and active commitment to her community. For two years she co-starred with Ruth Brown, Linda Hopkins and Savion Glover in the talent-packed Broadway musical hit, *Black and Blue*, where she enjoyed universal acclaim from critics and audiences alike. She has also appeared as a guest soloist at Jazz Festivals around the globe, and in 1993 was honored in France where her recording, *June Night*, received that country's award for Best CD.

The showcase which most effectively displays the talented artistry of Miss Smith can be best described as a musical potpourri of jazz, show tunes, blues, and ballads.

Miss Smith resides in East Orange, New Jersey, where she has long been a very active participant in that community's civic and religious organizations. She can still be found singing in her church choir on any given Sunday morning that she is in town.

Miss Smith joins two other New Jersey residents: TV actor and singer, Avery Brooks, and Tapdancer, Savion Glover, as she becomes the recipient of the esteemed Woodson Foundation Distinguished Artist Award for 1995. Mr. Brooks received the award in 1991, and Mr. Glover's award was presented in 1993.

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of
The Carter G. Woodson Foundation

Takes Great Pleasure in Inviting You
To Join Our 14th Anniversary Celebration
at

A Gala Dinner-Dance and Harbor Cruise

aboard

The Spirit of New Jersey

1500 Harbor Boulevard, Weehawken, New Jersey

Honoree

Miss Carrie Smith

Recipient of The Distinguished Artist Award

Sunday, June 4, 1995
Six to Ten O'Clock in the Evening

For Your Listening and Dancing Pleasure:

The Grady Tate Quintet

(Grammy Award Nominee)

On The Upper Deck

and **Jay-Jay, The Dee Jay**

On the Main Deck

Gourmet Buffet Dinner
Black Tie Optional

Premium Open Bar
Reply Card Enclosed

14th Anniversary Benefit Celebration

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Featured Entertainer The Grady Tate Quintet



Grady Tate

Grammy Award Nominee, Grady Tate, has been one of the world's most versatile, frequently recorded, and often imitated drummers for over three decades. That distinctive "Tate Touch" can be heard on recordings of Tony Bennet, Quincy Jones, Lena Horne, Aretha Franklin, Della Reese, Sarah Vaughn, Peggy Lee and countless others. And viewers to NBC's *Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson* remember Tate as the drummer for the Doc Severinsen Orchestra for seven years. Yet, while drumming is his primary vocation, singing has been Tate's lifelong passion.

His current album, *TNT* marks his vocal debut as a Milestone recording artist. Produced by WBGO's Bob Porter, it showcases Grady's gift of a sumptuously resonant baritone voice rich in deep feeling, with respect for lyric content, and a musician's ear for melodic contour.

The Grady Tate Quintet is an assemblage of the top musicians in New York City who will bring a memorable evening of distinctive entertainment for all to enjoy, courtesy of The Anheuser-Busch Companies.



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The Woodson Foundation is a multi-disciplinary Arts Institution, headquartered in Newark, New Jersey. Its mission is to research, preserve, perpetuate and celebrate the creative expressions, the cultural heritage, and the historic achievements of African-Americans. This goal is accomplished through performances, exhibits and educational activities.

Since 1981 the Foundation has achieved an enviable record of artistic accomplishments throughout the creative community nationwide as well as in New Jersey. It has earned the distinction of being designated a "Distinguished Arts Organization" by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts in recognition of its role in bringing quality artistic programs to communities throughout the state.

The proceeds from this 14th Anniversary Celebration will help ensure that the creative programs of the Woodson Foundation will continue to serve all who appreciate artistic excellence and dedication.